

An aerial photograph of a coastal scene. On the left, a tall, white, cylindrical lighthouse with a black lantern room stands on a small, grassy island. To the right of the lighthouse, there are several small, white, rectangular buildings with dark roofs. A yellow path winds through the grassy area, leading from the buildings towards the rocky shore. The island is surrounded by dark, jagged rocks, and the ocean is a deep blue with white foam from the waves crashing against the rocks. In the background, a small, green island is visible in the distance under a clear sky.

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*Lessons Learned in Areas Managed through
National Park Service Partnerships*

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ABOVE: The Appalachian Trail has embodied partnerships and volunteerism since its construction in the 1920s. The Appalachian National Scenic Trail is now a unit of the National Park System; partners include the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, state agencies, the Appalachian Trail Conference (ATC), and other hiking clubs. Today, as in the 1920s, ATC volunteers contribute many services, including trail and facility construction and maintenance as well as resource management and visitor education. Photo by John Wright, Appalachian Trail Conference.

FRONT COVER: Boston Light on Little Brewster Island. The 30 islands in Boston Harbor Islands national park area are managed by a 13-member Partnership, designated by Congress, that includes the National Park Service, the U.S. Coast Guard, state and municipal agencies, and private nonprofit organizations. Boston Light is the oldest light station in America, pre-dating the Declaration of Independence, and the last remaining lighthouse with a U.S. Coast Guard keeper. Photo © Brent M. Erb, courtesy of Boston Harbor Islands.

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